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South Central Idaho Interagency Dispatch Center Gears Up for 2010 Fire Season

SHOSHONE, Id -- The South Central Idaho Interagency Dispatch Center (SCIIDC) is looking for people and businesses who are interested in assisting with the upcoming 2010 fire season. Depending on the year, there can be a great need for heavy equipment operators, sanitary services or caterers. If you own or operate any of these services, you could help to fulfill that need. The dispatch center keeps a list of resources that they can call upon at a moment's notice. If you would like to know more about how to add your name to the list, please call the following:

- Questions concerning equipment should be directed to Diana Early, Purchasing Agent at (208) 373-4134
- Questions concerning supplies or services should be directed to Sheryl Firth, Contracting
 Officer at (208)732-7244

SCIIDC is a service first dispatch center where several agencies, including the Forest Service, Bureau of Land Management, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, National Park Service, State of Idaho Parks and Recreation, Bureau of Reclamation, Mountain Home Air Force Base, and Idaho Department of Lands coordinate their personnel, equipment, supplies and services in the suppression of wildland fires on lands in southern Idaho. SCIIDC also maintains an informative website at http://www.idahofireinfo.blm.gov/south/. Be sure to check the website for more information (under the "contracting" link) regarding the upcoming vendor meetings this spring. The vendor meetings will be hosted in Twin Falls and Burley, and are designed to help people with the contracting sign-up process.